

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) ~~Hydraulic linear drive according to Claim 11,~~ A hydraulic linear drive usable as a hydraulic transmission actuator, comprising a piston/cylinder unit having a housing in which an actuating piston system longitudinally displaceably arranged so as to define at least two pressure chambers which are actable upon by hydraulic oil via control conduits, having at least one piston rod connected with the actuating piston system, and a sealing element operatively arranged at the actuating piston system for sealing off the at least two pressure chambers from one another, wherein the actuating piston system comprises a two-piece construction of a first and a second piston part having facing faces between which the sealing element is arranged;

wherein a sealing device carrier is provided for the sealing element and which is axially guided on one of the piston parts;

and wherein the sealing device carrier engages on the face in the first piston part for providing the axial guiding.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) ~~Hydraulic linear drive according to Claim 13,~~ A hydraulic linear drive usable as a hydraulic transmission actuator, comprising a piston/cylinder unit having a housing in which an actuating piston system longitudinally displaceably arranged so as to define at least two pressure chambers which are actable upon by hydraulic oil via control conduits, having at least one piston rod connected with the actuating piston system, and a sealing element operatively arranged at the actuating piston system for sealing off the at

least two pressure chambers from one another, wherein the actuating piston system comprises a two-piece construction of a first and a second piston part having facing faces between which the sealing element is arranged;

wherein a sealing device carrier is provided for the sealing element and which is axially guided on one of the piston parts;

wherein the sealing device carrier is shaped in one piece out of the second piston part;

and wherein the sealing device carrier engages on the face in the first piston part for providing the axial guiding.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) ~~Hydraulic linear drive according to Claim 15,~~ A hydraulic linear drive usable as a hydraulic transmission actuator, comprising a piston/cylinder unit having a housing in which an actuating piston system longitudinally displaceably arranged so as to define at least two pressure chambers which are actable upon by hydraulic oil via control conduits, having at least one piston rod connected with the actuating piston system, and a sealing element operatively arranged at the actuating piston system for sealing off the at least two pressure chambers from one another, wherein the actuating piston system comprises a two-piece construction of a first and a second piston part having facing faces between which the sealing element is arranged;

wherein a sealing device carrier is provided for the sealing element and which is axially guided on one of the piston parts;

wherein the sealing device carrier is a separate component between the piston parts;

and wherein the sealing device carrier engages on the face in the first piston part for providing the axial guiding.

17. (Currently Amended) ~~Hydraulic linear drive according to Claim 11,~~ A hydraulic linear drive usable as a hydraulic transmission actuator, comprising a piston/cylinder unit having a housing in which an actuating piston system

longitudinally displaceably arranged so as to define at least two pressure chambers which are actable upon by hydraulic oil via control conduits, having at least one piston rod connected with the actuating piston system, and a sealing element operatively arranged at the actuating piston system for sealing off the at least two pressure chambers from one another, wherein the actuating piston system comprises a two-piece construction of a first and a second piston part having facing faces between which the sealing element is arranged;

wherein a sealing device carrier is provided for the sealing element and which is axially guided on one of the piston parts;

and wherein the sealing device carrier is longitudinally displaceably disposed on the first piston part and two stops on the first piston part are provided for limiting the relative movement of the sealing device carrier.

18-20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently Amended) ~~Hydraulic linear drive according to Claim 20, A~~ hydraulic linear drive usable as a hydraulic transmission actuator, comprising a piston/cylinder unit having a housing in which an actuating piston system longitudinally displaceably arranged so as to define at least two pressure chambers which are actable upon by hydraulic oil via control conduits, having at least one piston rod connected with the actuating piston system, and a sealing element operatively arranged at the actuating piston system for sealing off the at least two pressure chambers from one another, wherein the actuating piston system comprises a two-piece construction of a first and a second piston part having facing faces between which the sealing element is arranged;

wherein the piston parts are step pistons;

wherein a longitudinal groove is provided at a surface area of a section of the step pistons and connects a respective pressure chamber with a respective one of the at least two pressure chambers;

wherein a sealing device carrier is provided for the sealing element and which is axially guided on one of the piston parts;

and wherein the sealing device carrier engages on the face in the first piston part for providing the axial guiding.

22. (Currently Amended) The ~~Hydraulic~~ hydraulic linear drive according to Claim 21, wherein the sealing device carrier is longitudinally displaceably disposed on the first piston part and two stops on the first piston part are provided for limiting the relative movement of the sealing device carrier.

23-25. (Canceled)

26. (Currently Amended) ~~In the hydraulic linear drive according to Claim 25,~~ In a hydraulic linear drive, the improvement comprising a two-piece actuating piston having opposing faces between which a sealing element is arranged;

wherein a sealing device carrier is provided for the sealing element and which is axially guided on one of the piston parts;

and wherein the sealing device carrier engages on the face in the first piston part for providing the axial guiding.

27. (Currently Amended) ~~In the hydraulic linear drive according to Claim 24,~~ In a hydraulic linear drive, the improvement comprising a two-piece actuating piston having opposing faces between which a sealing element is arranged;

wherein the sealing device carrier is longitudinally displaceably disposed on the first piston part and two stops on the first piston part are provided for limiting the relative movement of the sealing device carrier.

28-29. (Canceled)